

DOUG SUTHERLAND Commissioner of Public Lands

# MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

D. L. D. Line Dakin Timber Sale App. No. 74757 and Forest Practice
Description of proposal: Rocking Robin Timber Sale, App. No. 74757, and Forest Practice Application No. 2806515. Even-aged harvest of 5,111 MBF of timber from 90 acres.
Proposal includes 5,582 feet of new road construction, 7,883 feet of road reconstruction, and 3, 746
feet of road abandonment. Rock will be used from a pit on State land.
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Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.
Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.
Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Sections 14, 15, 22, and 23, Township 33
North, Range 5 East. Rock pit is in Section 4, Township 33 North, Range 5 East, Skagit County.
Proposal is located 14 miles northeast of Arlington, via Highway 9, Granstrom Road, Lake
Cavanaugh Road, Walker Valley Road, Peter Burns Road and the WV-ML Mainline.
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Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources.
The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.
[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.
This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from <u>February 12,2004</u> . Comments must be submitted by <u>February 26,2004</u> .
Responsible official: William J. Wallace
Position/title: Region Manager Phone: 360-856-3500
Address: 919 North Township Street, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284
Date: 2/5/04 Signature:

There is no agency SEPA appeal. 11/09/00

## Mitigated Measures

Rocking Robin Timber Sale, App. No. 74757

#### Streams

2 type 4 streams have 100-foot, no harvest buffers.

### Wetland

1 wetland has a 100-foot, no harvest buffer.

# **Unstable Slopes**

Proposal is designed to stay off of unstable areas.

#### Roads

Roads will be constructed during the dry times of the year. Roads are designed to stay off unstable areas. Exposed cut and fill slopes will be mulched or grass seeded at completion of use. 16.40 stations of new construction will be abandoned if built. 21.06 stations of existing road will be abandoned.

# Green Tree Retention and Wildlife.

882 trees will be left on this proposal. In Unit #1 252 trees will be retained, in Unit #2,129 trees and Unit #3, 501 trees. These trees represent 7% of the trees over 12 inches DBH or an average of 8 trees per acre. Trees will be left in clumped and scattered patterns to provide a variety of upland habitat diversity.

### Logging Method

Proposal will be logged using cable and ground-based logging equipment. Ground-based equipment will be shovel, and feller-buncher on slopes 25% or less. Shovel will be required to fully suspend logs while yarding, and limited to the dry times of the year. When yarding across type 5 streams in Unit #1 and #2 the use of temporary crossing structures or full suspension of logs will be required. When yarding with cable systems, leading end suspension of logs will be required.

#### **Recreation Trails**

Recreation trails are in the vicinity of this proposal. These trails will need to be posted closed while logging or road building activities are going on.